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DELAY IN WORK OF RAILWAY LINE
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the reasons for non-commencement of the work relating to Bitra Aurangabad Railway section even after eight years of its inauguration;
(b) whether the Government proposes to lay this new line and if so, the details thereof; and
(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS
(SHRI MANOJ SINHA)

(a) to (c): There is no railway project named Bitra-Aurangabad. However, a new line work of Bihta-Aurangabad (120 Km) was included in Railway Budget 2007-08 at an estimated cost of `326 crore. Execution of this project could not take off due to non-acquisition of requisite land and limited availability of funds.
It is Railways' endeavour to complete all the sanctioned projects in a time bound manner. However, allocation of adequate funds for several new line projects including this project could not be made in view of Railways having a large shelf of ongoing new line projects with limited availability of funds. Allocation of funds to various projects is done on year to year basis as per the Railway Budget passed by Parliament. An outlay of `2 crore has been proposed in Railway Budget 2016-17 for this project.
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